

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend and replace Page 1, first paragraph, of the “Cross-Reference to Related Applications” section of the originally filed application to read as follows:

This document claims priority to, and the benefit of, the filing date of Provisional Application Serial No. 60/150,436 entitled “A TECHNIQUE FOR ROBUST SIGNAL DELIMITING AND ENCODING OF CRITICAL LINK CONTROL SIGNALS APPLIED TO TRANSMISSION OF ATM CELLS OVER A DSL USING ADAPTIVE TIME DOMAIN DUPLEX (ATTD),” filed on August 24, 1999, (~~Attorney Docket No. 61606-8170; 1999-06~~), which is hereby incorporated by reference.